



DISCOVERING YOUR Purpose & Gift

THE JOURNEY TO FULFILLING YOUR PURPOSE

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**HAVING
PURPOSE &
GIFT**

Imagine you knew why you are here on earth and what exactly you are meant to do and also how you can do it, many people do not know why they are here on earth, what their purpose is and some that know their purpose, they do not know how to go about it, to walk in their purpose. We spend years of our lives trying to discover ourselves, majority of people on earth do not even know what their purpose is on earth or what their gift is. I believe that the grave is full of many unaccomplished dreams; undiscovered purposes and hence the world seem to not get safer to live in as the years progresses. Truth is that the failure to realize purpose does not apply to only young people, but to even the elderly because process to discovering purpose and gift does not respect age, it comes to those that seek it and the fulfillment of it has its own process also

and most people that don't come to this place usually settle for following other people's dreams especially in this generation of influencers. The root of the success of social media is not because people love attention or images and videos or even some psychology trick they play on the users but it is that of the unspoken desire for discovery.

“The most powerful human being on earth is the person who has discovered their purpose and also their gift”

Millions of books have been written on gift and purpose, so what is different about this one? When you read most of them, most of the time you find yourself having more questions than answers especially when you try taking steps to discover your gift or purposes and sometimes these books confuse gift and purpose so this book is meant to answer those questions; reveal the processes and give clear definition what gift is and what purpose is, this I am confident about. I believe you have this book in your hands because you have a desire to know your purpose and your gift, so before you continue reading, I want you to understand that you are not going to be the same person after reading this book, how your view life and your mentality will be challenged so if you are not up for the challenge of change then you can drop this book but if you desire

to discover your gift and your purpose then you may continue reading.

Understand that as long as you not in your purpose or you are not aware of what your gift is, you are stuck and most of what you are doing is either passing time or you are doing what will never give you satisfaction and fulfillment no matter how good you are at it. The most powerful human being on earth is not the one with education, even though I believe in education, but the most powerful human being on earth is the person who has discovered their purpose and also their gift, this person has more value to humanity more than the educated individual.

UNVEILING PURPOSE

When it comes to purpose, it is a topic I see as the foundation of everything to every human being, without purpose, you are lost and whatever you build without that foundation, it will break you down eventually. It is that important for you to understand your identity, most people who cannot identify their identity which lies in their purpose, they end up given to other people's identities, and I guarantee you that that identity is not the plan of God for your life. You have to come to the realization that purpose comes before you are even born, it cannot come after you are born, let me make an example for you, let's say you are newly married and it is only you and your partner in the house, there is no need for you to get a maid at the time, you can manage to clean the house. As the years go by, you have kids and move to a big house, you have now

accumulated more responsibilities and you both work so you have a lot on your plate, you then notice the house is dirty and you can't manage to clean it, you and your partner decide to bring in a maid because only a maid can solve the problem in the house. When the maid comes in, she does not come into the house to entertain you and your partner, that is not her purpose for coming into the house, she is in the house because she was called in for the problem that was discovered in the house. Understand that the maid is not in the house to start to figure out what her purpose is in the house, she is not coming into the house unaware of her identity as a maid but she is aware that she is a maid not going to eventually become one. Her purpose came first then she came into the house, imagine she then didn't know what she was there

for and decided to be an entertainer in the house, do you think you and your partner would find that entertaining or would you fire her? Yet many today have entered the world and we are busy with everything else except our purposes.

**“YOUR PURPOSE
COMES FROM YOUR
MANUFACTURER,
GOD”**

A prophet named Jeremiah was in a conversation with his maker about his purpose, all his life he thought he was just Jeremiah the kid but God comes to him and says, *“Before I formed you in the belly of your mother, I knew you, before you came out the womb, I sanctified you and ordained you a prophet to the nations”*. This is a young man who had no clue he was a prophet and he is discovering what his purpose is and in this conversation, he is finding out that he is a prophet, not only is he a prophet but he was already ordained and sanctified for it before he came earth. Here is something you need to see if you want to clearance about what your purpose is, your purpose comes from your manufacturer, God. Your purpose can never come from anyone on earth, it comes from God, the best person to turn to for the description of your purpose

but people avoid God because of accountability, because if you believe in God, you believe that there is someone who will hold you accountable for life. This shows how important spirituality is in life, a relationship with God is key to getting your answers, if you don't believe in God then maybe you should wonder how you can believe in the iPhone and Steve Jobs the maker of the iPhone (a concept of a created product and the inventor of the product).

This brings me to my next point, some people believe in God but they don't believe in instructions that come from God. When you receive a product from Steve Jobs like the iPhone, it usually comes with a manual in the package, a book that most of us don't read just like the word of God. That manual is meant for us to know how to use the iPhone;

understand it; be able to avoid errors or fix errors when they occur; and to maintain the product so it can live its life span. With the manual that comes from the Apple company created by the company and founder Steve Jobs, would you agree with me as a customer if I said that the Apple company knows the product best even if you bought it and its been in your possession for years? If you do agree with me then you are aware that the manual that comes with the product give you instructions on how to operate it and what you should not do with it, when it breaks you don't opt for the Indian tech guy next door but you would rather hand it over to Apple to fix your phone because of their knowledge of their own product. That manual is not meant to control your use of the phone but rather guidelines you can operate it and maintain it, so if Apple

knows to create a manual and you see the importance of it, then the same should apply to God and you as His product and the bible as a manual that is not there to control you (if He wanted to control you, He would have never given you the power of will), the manual is there as a guideline for your body spirit and soul, it comes with great advice so you can know how to go about your life; business; relationships etc. because your creator know best when it comes to you as His product and knows your purpose and how best you can fulfill it.

How does all this relate to your purpose? Well I wouldn't want you to reach the realization of your purpose only for it to be short lived because of mismanaging your body soul and spirit. Now back to Jeremiah, after God had explained to him the purpose of his life, Jeremiah

then said “I am only a child”, this I’m certain will happen to majority of you who discovers their purpose, you will start feeling as if the shoes are too big for you, you will feel like you are not worthy of it but I want you to keep in mind that you are born already capable of it, the ability to fulfill it is already in you because you were built for it.

Jeremiah was not going to become a prophet, he discovered that he is already a prophet, some of you reading this right now that are already aware of your purpose think one day you are going to be that philanthropist; entrepreneur; entertainer; pastor and so forth but I want you to erase that thinking and conclude that you are already that which God said you are to the nations, no paper or opinion in this world can change that, you are that which you are

made for.

THE VALUE OF PURPOSE

Your purpose is your value on earth; it is something only you in 8 billion people are built for, not a replica of someone else's purpose but originally yours alone. Many people do not know how unique they are, they spend their time copying others because human beings feel copying others is easier than being original, So how would you know that you being yourself or just another copy of people you admire? I want you for a moment to think about the following, how is it possible amongst 8 billion people on earth, majority follows same fashion trends at almost the exact same time and have almost the same opinions about matters in society, does that say we are original or does that say followers? Shouldn't there be much variety amongst us? You now have to ask yourself why you like what you like and why you follow what you follow and

maybe take more time to analyze those things, being honest with yourself is the first step and when you get to your conclusion and you like it because you actually love it then so be it but if you fall under the follower category then it is high time you make adjustments. Don't fear to be different, being yourself has more freedom than being a replica, don't even fear to have a different opinion to everyone else, I personally do not care if my views on certain things differ from the rest of the world, if I have to then change it because of the general views of society then society would be hypocritical because majority say you have the right to your own opinion but when it is different they turn against you because you are different, then that implies that you should be yourself just as long as it is in the box of the norm. If you are a believer and the instructions in

your bible differ from society, don't overlook the bible because of the 21st century, be what you believe in.

**“YOUR PURPOSE IS
YOUR VALUE ON
EARTH”**

Your purpose is unique and because it is, be at peace with the costs that it comes with it, you alone can solve what you are brought here for and shouldn't be wasting time being a copy. When you don't step into your purpose, the entire human race loses from your lack of discovery and fulfillment of your purpose. Remember the example I made earlier about the maid, if you are brought in to clean the house and you don't do it, the people in the house will be frustrated and will hold the maid accountable for that, when you do what you made for, you create a cycle of peace, not only do you find rest but the people in your life that you are made to impact will also find that rest because your purpose is that important. When you are not in your place to fulfill your purpose, it is not only you who will feel the pressure and stress on earth but also

the lives that you are made to impact will feel the exact same thing, when you become that light that you are made to be, those around will find it easier to even do their purpose because you became the light in the darkness. Society is not in this place of darkness and confusion because it wants to; it is there because some people never lived to fulfill their purpose and now it is showing.

REVEALING GIFT

Now when we talk about gifts, we are looking at something totally different from purpose and you may say that it obvious but you would be surprised how often those two are seen as the same thing, grab the next book about purpose and/or gift and you will see what I mean. Your purpose is what you are born for, it is your identity, and a gift is an in born ability that you are not necessarily what you are born for but what you are born with, you are born with it for a much deeper reason which I will take time to explain as you continue reading.

“WHOSE GIFT IS IT?”

Many times we see people with gifts being celebrated and praised because of that gift, Michael Jordan for basketball; prophets for prophecy and so forth, gifts are that part of you that you cannot do without on earth; it operates hand in hand with your purpose.

A king named Solomon, said something that had so much depth which I realized as I grew, his proverb says, *“Iron sharpens iron, so a man sharpens the countenance of his friend”*, before I reveal the mystery of gift using this proverb, I also want to draw your attention to another prophet named Jesus who quoted another proverb saying, *“you will surely quote this proverb, physician, heal yourself, whatever we have heard you done in Capernaum, do also here in your country”*. We find ourselves in

possession of special gifts wondering, this grace God has given to us, and does it work for me? Can I make it work for myself or does it only work for other people only? How many times have you found that people are benefiting from you but you yourself can't manage to produce results by yourself with the very same gift, people coming to you for relationship or financial advice and it works for them but when you apply it to yourself, it seems not to work for you? Iron sharpens another iron, the sharpness off one iron is as a result of another iron that sharpened it, it is not possible for iron to sharpen itself and if an iron is sharp, there must be a trace of another iron involved and in the process usually you will find that that iron has become blunt because of the work it did on the other iron. How often do you see a mentee become sharper than the

mentor over time? Today we look at the big names and these great achievers are sharp and even seem sharper than the people they took advice from, but we undermine the people around us that advise us, we are hearing the wisdom given to us is actually on point but then you look at the iron sharpening you, it seems blunt for you to listen to you like what most kids do with their educators meanwhile the iron still carries the ability to sharpen you. Even so, you could be that blunt iron wondering why everything is working for someone else and not you, the question you should be asking yourself is this, whose gift is it? Just as the iron is gifted to sharpen, the gift only applies on another iron, that is your answer there, the gift you are in possession of is not yours but someone else so for you to be sharp, you require a gift from someone else outside your gift.

You see that gift in you is not meant for you, it is meant for others, when you have a present for your friend, it is a gift in your possession but meant to be handed to someone else, that is why it is called 'gift'. Now in that proverb that Jesus was saying to people, it was what he was prophesying that the people would say that to him when he gets on the cross, "*Save yourself, if you are the Son of God, come down from the cross*", the prophet has a track record of saving lives and healing those with wounds and so much more, they had heard of what he had done for others with his gift of healing and now they are telling him *physician heal yourself*, so use that gift on yourself. Had Jesus attempted to heal himself, he know it would break the principle of gift, gift is meant for others so he couldn't have done that.

The reason that gift is there, it is meant to pave way to bring you to your purpose in life, let me explain, a man named Joseph had a dream, he knew from that dream his purpose was to be in place of rulership, he had a gift of interpreting dreams. He finds himself in prison with other prisoners, then his fellow prisoner one day wake up and they are troubled by the dreams, Joseph then takes his gift and interprets the dreams of the prisoners, the dreams comes to past as Joseph had interpreted. One day at the palace, the king has a dream that repeats itself and the king seeks meaning to the dreams, one of the people that worked in the palace in Joseph's former prison mate, so Joseph's client refers the king to the prisoner named Joseph who he knew was gifted with interpreting dreams. Joseph is then brought before the king and the young

gifted man gives answers to the king about the dream, the king then places Joseph second in command to himself, guess what, it is the position Joseph was born to be in, his purpose.

**“IRON SHARPENS
IRON”**

Understand that the gift of Joseph was there before the fulfillment of his purpose, his gift paved way for him from his father's house; from prison to his place of rulership. Many of you are in that place of imprisonment or slavery to society, and some of you feel like the world owes you, that people should hear you and pay attention to you or you even feel irrelevant to society because you are not in demand. The problem is not in your certificate or lack of resources, your problem lies in the fact that your gift is dormant, you are not using it, so you have to be aware that you owe the world that gift and not the world owing you, there are individuals that are in need of that gift of yours and you are irrelevant to them as long as you are not offering that gift to them, as matter of fact, you cannot walk into your purpose without offering your gift so it

can pave way. As long as you live, know that it is impossible to skip this process, Jesus was born with a purpose, his was to die for humanity, he only got to that place after using his gifts of healing and so forth; David was born to be king of Israel, he only got there after using his gift of killing giants, all he had to do was to kill the giant problem of the nation called Goliath before he can be king, the gift given to you by God is meant for exchange on earth, it is your currency and after paying your dues, you can then walk into your purpose.

**“QUALIFICATION DOES
NOT REPLACE GIFT”**

King Solomon once said “*A man’s gift makes room for him...*” and you are feeling like there is no room for you in society, some of you even have qualifications and you are still in the position of the ones that do not have qualifications, it is because qualification cannot replace gift, only your gift makes room for you in society so you can fulfill your purpose. Humanity will not reward you that room because you are a nice person, it will not reward you because you are clever, it will only reward you because your gift is a solution to their problems, regardless of how minor the gift may seem, it is powerful enough to make room for you and bring you also before great people.



DISCOVERING YOUR GIFT

With all that said, how do you then discover your gift? I would love to start by getting the obvious part that you will find in every other book out the way, the thing you find easy to do with less effort but you do it best, I am aware you have heard that one before and it is true. A gift is not complicated as purpose, but saying it is that which comes easy to you that you love doing it is too general, you may find a lot of stuff easy and fun to do that you love so this notion is not enough, making tea is easy for everyone and playing golf could feel so fulfilling so does it mean it is the gift? No so let us push things further so you can easily identify your gift, remember that finding that thing easy or natural to do may be your first step, it still qualify. Remember what King Solomon said, "*A man's gift will make room for him...*" so if that ability you call a gift does not make room

for you, it does not qualify as a gift, it is just a skill, a lot of people can sing but only a few in that group of musicians become outstanding because the gift is making room and the rest of the other singers are people with a skill.

Another thing to qualify something as a gift is that a gift always has a way of bringing you to situations where you have to display it often. David was not in the field killing giants for fun or that he woke up looking for giants to kill intentionally but his gift pulled that lion and bear to his path so he was forced by the gift to display it. Jesus was not waking up every morning trying to find people he can go heal, as a matter of fact, the very first recorded miracle Jesus performed was not out of his will, he was at a wedding and there was shortage of wine and his mother brought the

problem to Jesus and even commanded the servants to do as Jesus would say, he was pushed to display the gift. Your gift has a tendency to try exposing itself to you frequently so you that you can be aware of it, so look at all the things you claim as natural gifts, reflect on each of them to see whether it forced itself out for exposure or you just woke up looking for giants to kill.

**“YOUR GIFT IS
WAITING FOR YOU TO
RESPOND”**

To assist you to develop the sight you need to discover your gift in the need that is often around you, remember that gift is meant for people around you so this gift will bring demand (look this part is important, if you haven't understood things so far, I advise you go back and read again). The gift knows it is a solution so it draws in demand/problems to you, so that you start to display it frequently. It is crucial that when opportunity to display the gift comes to you, you have to take those opportunities with open hands, the gift will bring the demand and that demand will be the room for you, remember it is the gift of the man that makes room, not the man that makes room.

Live knowing you owe people that gift and pay as many people as you can, it will automatically open doors for you to

walk into your purpose so when people are in need of that natural gift of yours, assist them, don't look the other way because your gift is calling you to respond. Discovering your gift is not an overnight thing, it takes time so daily pay attention to the problems coming to you, when that voice comes and says to you, do it, obey that voice, it is leading you to discovery of the gift and leading you to the fulfillment of your purpose.

A story of a lady who was led by her gift, she worked at a restaurant, this particular restaurant was a burger joint but the restaurant was running out of business was soon going to be shut down. This lady then approached the boss and asked him if she could sell her pies to help his business because she needed this job, she said her pies are famous in her neighborhood, people

loved them. The boss agreed and the next morning she baked one pie and came with it to work, she cut the pie into six pieces to sell them, they soon sold out that day and the next day people wanted her pies so she had to go home and make more of those pies to come back and sell. Soon people wanted to get whole pies that they could take home, a burger joint was now selling more pies than burgers because a gift was at work, years later, this lady has her name on almost every product in America in stores all over. Her gift took her to a place in need of a solution, she displayed her gift and today she is a multi-millionaire through a gift of cooking and one piece of pie is all it took to make room for her. Notice that in this story, her community was aware of her gift and I am certain that she was not the only person who could bake pies in her

area but because it was a gift for her, her gift made room for her.



GIFT & PURPOSE

Now that you're a clear definition of gift and purpose and have the guidelines to discovering gift and purpose, you now have to come to a place where you understand that it is possible to have understanding of one or both but it is also possible to have knowledge of what your purpose is and still not know what your gift is and vice versa. There are devastating problems that come when you have knowledge of your purpose but don't know what your gift is, knowing what your purpose is alone does not guarantee that you will fulfil it; it is only through the gift that you walk into your purpose.

I am sure you know someone around you that knows who they are and what their purpose is but those people don't seem to be getting there, this could even be yourself, knowing who you are meant

to be to the nations and you have tried everything but it all seems not to be working out for you in your journey. I respect the rule of keep pushing till you make it but if you are pushing things the wrong way, you are pushing yourself to depression and stress, I know of preachers called by God who know they are to be preachers but don't manifest their gifts and rather they skip that part and build a building and have people coming but they still have no fulfillment and are stressed out because they skipped the process, imagine king David decided to skip the part of killing the giant and push politically to try be the king, the frustration he could have had because he was going about things the wrong way, if Jesus skipped the miracles part and chose to go straight to the cross, he would have not even qualified to get on that cross because he wouldn't

carry the weight on his name as he did when he went, the process is crucial, your gift goes hand in hand with your purpose.

Likewise you shouldn't find yourself aware of your gift and having no clue what your purpose is because it could work against you eventually. Now how would that be in your disadvantage when you have your gift and it is in demand, having people calling for you left and right, well let me explain the mystery of how someone can go up and then be irrelevant and be in a position worse than before they became known, they rise and fall even in possession of the gift. Firstly understand that people around you that are asking for you, they are not calling for your gift because they love you, it is more about what you have, what you can do for them and not you

specific so when you understand that they are there because of what you carry, you will not be attached or even upset when they walk away.

Many famous people discovered their gift and that gift courses them to shine but years later they become irrelevant, the reason to that is because these people thought their gift is their purpose and that mistake cost them, their gift opened the door to their purpose and they didn't realize it so when the door closed, their relevance went down with that door because what maintains the relevance of a gift in your life is your purpose.

**“PURPOSE MAINTAINS
THE RELEVANCE OF
YOUR GIFT”**

People can exhaust your gift, you can go from that girl or guy that could sing to what happened to the guy or girl that could sing and that is because gift is not there to maintain itself but it is there to take you to your purpose and your purpose is what maintains your gift and keeps it relevant and that is why you find some well-known people not growing irrelevant but thriving throughout time. I know of preachers who once had millions following them and then numbers start to decline and then you have those preachers who have followers growing nonstop even in the times of new movements, that is because of the power of having both your gift and purpose in place.



MULTIPLE GIFTS

Is it possible to have more than one gift? Can you develop another gift on top of the one that you have? Within every human being there is a gift and some have one and others have more than one, it is impossible to be born without one but then how about adding more to what you have? Well that means more responsibility but it is very possible to do it because the bible says, “*desire to have spiritual gifts...*” so that implies that you are capable of developing one but you cannot develop another purpose.

How do you then develop a new gift? It starts with a desire, you cannot have that new gift you want without a genuine desire, don't lose sight of the fact that a gift is not meant for you but to solve other people's problems, if you want a solution for your problem, you have to look for another gifted person.

So if you desire something, desire a gift that will be a solution and your genuine heart desire will not fail you. Another way of getting the gift you desire is by celebrating the ones who have that gift, what you celebrate you draw to yourself, honoring people with that gift makes it easy and if possible find mentorship from them, that way you get it easy and they will show you how to operate it best and maintain it.

MAINTAINING VALUE

The last thing I want to share with you is about maintaining the value of your gift, as you may know, everything in life has to be maintained and one of the keys to maintaining something is management. Managing a gift can help you maintain the value of a gift and if done correctly, you can be more valuable to the people you are presenting your gift to.

There are billions of people on earth and that means there are billions of gifts, and some people have similar gifts so how can your gift be more valuable than the other person with the same gift as yours? Look at this scenario: there are two wrist watch makers, the first one has a watch that is designed well, made out of stainless steel and leather belt, this watch maker produces thousands of this model selling for \$50. The second watch maker has an elegant design made from

pure gold and diamonds and the watch maker makes a hundred of this model and sells each for \$1000. Which one do you think is valuable? The second one made of gold obviously, the value of this watch is not the fact that it tells time because the other watch does exactly the same, the value is in the materials and also the fact that there are a few of them made making them rare raises the value. The gift is yours, how you use it matters and longevity lies in the value of the gift and not necessarily the demand.

How you carry and display your gift matters, it will determine how people view it, remember that too much of something even if it is good, it becomes unhealthy so balance is vital for not only you but the people that demand it and the people in your life. Managing a gift can really keep your gift relevant and

you not getting lost in the cloud of demand, you have your life to live and your health to look after.

ASSIGNMEN T FOR YOU

I would love to leave you with an assignment for yourself, take time in doing this and you are on your way to discovering your identity (purpose) and your gift, it is pointless to be reading the book and not stepping out to prove what I said is truthful or not and I dare you to try it and I am certain it will not fail you.

If you have no clue what your purpose is, remember it is not too late to find out and walk in it, so what you should do for yourself is set time aside daily to spend time with God, meditate, and work on your relationship with your maker, this is the key to getting your answers, don't be afraid to ask Him about your purpose, He always answers.

If you are not aware what your gift is, take a piece of paper and write the natural things that come to you, not only things you like but also things people

usually come to you for, then after that, follow what is said in the chapter about gift. I pray the best for you in your journey and thank you for purchasing this book.

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